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AHEPA District Governor's Message



Nick Pries
District Governor

Dear AHEPA Brothers,

On behalf of my Lodge I would like to thank all of you for giving me the opportunity to be your District Governor. It was a great honor to represent the District at all of the events over the past two years.

My second year started at the Stockton Convention as I was elected for a second term as your District Governor. The Convention was for sure a lot of fun. Stockton did a great job hosting the Convention. After the District Convention some of us traveled to Montreal for the National Convention. The National Convention was very educational. I attended several committee meetings and it gave me a better understanding of the good works of AHEPA.

I WOULD LIKE TO thank Margo for setting up all of the Chapter Visitations. It was not easy to do but somehow we visited all of the Chapters in our District. We were welcome everywhere we traveled. The food was great and the hospitality was awesome. Thank you.

As you all know it was not a good year for my family as we lost our mother and it was not easy to attend the visitations after that. It took me about two months to recover, but we finished the year on a good note.

The Vallejo Chapter has decided to close their Chapter. It was not an easy thing to accept. Some of the brothers will go to a different chapter and we wish them good luck.

I would like all of the members to get your kids to join the AHEPA Family. We all should give a membership as a gift for their name day or their birthday. As you all know the only way for us to survive is to bring in new members. Let's all bring in a new member this year. As a District we added 50 new members for the year 2009-2010.

God Bless you all and your family,

Your District Governor Nick Pries

Dates to remember

District #21 Convention - June 24, 25 and 26th

Supreme Convention - July 18 - 24th

DOP District Governor's Message

Dear Sisters,

At the blink of an eye 2 years have passed. All the memories, challenges, and friendships will forever be remembered with warm thoughts. The Chapter Officers have been wonderful to work with – they are an asset to us all and we should be extremely proud of these women. They are leaders in every sense of the word. I wish each and every one of them continued success.



Margo Drosos
District Governor

A recap of the past year is an indication of the type of whirlwind it was - Beginning with the Supreme Convention in Montreal in July 2010, where one of our own from Daphne Chapter and her husband won the dance contest to the Symphony of Tables in Modesto in May, the year was exceptional! In September at the Governors' Conference held in Washington, D.C. it was a reunion of friendships and a gracious welcoming from the Grand Lodge. The Fall Conference held in San Jose hosted by the Ahepa family was well organized and the food, as always, was fantastic. We were honored to have in attendance our Liaison, Grand Vice President, Nicky Stamoulis. Hosted by the San Francisco Ahepa family in March, the Spring Conference was well attended. Both Daughters' Chapters extended a warm welcome to all. Thank you to our fellow Ahepans and to Daphne and Eos Chapters for hosting those two Conferences.

The Founder's Day Luncheon was an eventful weekend. The reception the night before gave the weekend a good start. We were extremely honored and grateful to have in attendance our Grand President, Christine Constantine, along with Grand Governor Zone IV Cleo Rumpakis, and two Past Grand Presidents Connie Aretos-Banis and Joanne Booras.

Our Annual Tri-District Sisterhood Conference was held this year in our District in Santa Clara. The privilege and honor was ours to have in attendance all 3 Liaisons – District #20 Liaison Grand Governor Zone III, Angela Magrames; District #21 Liaison Grand Vice President, Nicky Stamoulis; and District #22 Liaison Grand Governor Zone IV, Cleo Rumpakis. Everyone enjoyed themselves from the get together the evening prior to the conference, to the dinner, to the play – it was great! The weekend culminated the following day with the coffee hour and a tour at the Hellenic Museum. PGP Connie Aretos-Banis did a most remarkable job chairing this for the Lodge. Thank You.

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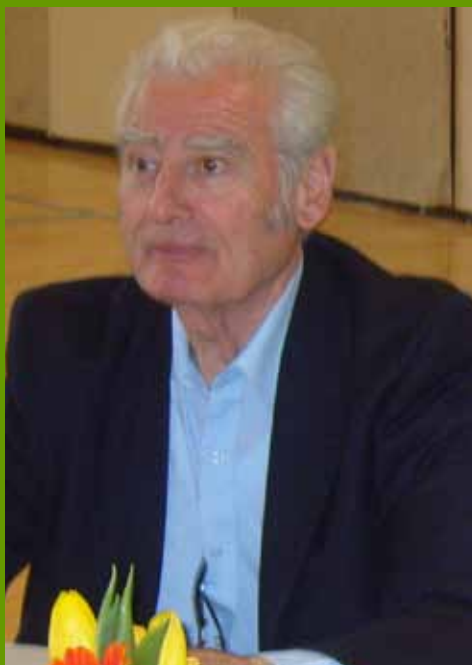
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Photos on page 5 top row: District Governors Nick Pries and Margo Drossos. Middle row: Special Projects Charman George Booros and DOP Lt. Governor PJ Richard working on Charitable Raffle . Bottom Vlassi Fousekas, PDG, San Mateo Chapter and Elias Tsiknis District Warden, San Francisco Chapter.





2010-2011
AHEPA FAMILY CHARITIES RAFFLE
FINAL SPRING CONFERENCE REPORT
March 12, 2011



<u>TICKETS SOLD:</u>	<u>Number</u>
Daughters of Penelope	206
Order of Ahepa	296
Totals	502

ORDER OF AHEPA CHAPTER SALES	<u>ISSUED</u>	<u>SOLD</u>
Golden Gate Pacific #150	80	64
Fresno #151	75	14
Sacramento #153	41	32
Oakland #171	60	34
Stockton #212	25	13
Solano #217 (Vallejo)	5	2
Marysville #228	15	5
Modesto #246	130	38
San Jose #251	60	20
Contra Costa #259	80	25
Reno #281	75	37
San Mateo County #392	25	12

ORDER OF AHEPA TOTALS	671	296
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DAUGHTERS OF PENELOPE CHAPTER SALES	<u>ISSUED</u>	<u>SOLD</u>
Eos #1 San Francisco	40	28
Echo #4 Oakland	40	18
Artemis #5 Sacramento	20	9
Sparta #18 Stockton	18	18
Daphne #29 San Jose	30	29
Phaedra #64 Modesto	62	47
Leto #71 Fresno	20	5
Elis #89 Reno	10	10
Zephrus #147 Marysville	0	0
Meonia #273 Vallejo	10	15
Urania #290 San Mateo	25	18
Harmonia #367 Walnut Creek	15	9

DAUGHTERS OF PENELOPE TOTALS	290	206
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EARLY BIRD DRAWING WINNERS

Ticket #036 (Golden Gate Pacific Ahepa #150)
 Jim Hontalas, San Francisco, CA

Ticket #094 (Fresno Ahepa #151)
 Annie Chrys, Rancho Palos Verdes, CA

Ticket #042 (Golden Gate Pacific Ahepa #150)
 Rola Johnson, San Francisco, CA

Ticket #984 (Phaedra #64 Modesto)
 Ken Cornick, Modesto, CA

EOS #1 Members visit Penelope at the De Young Museum

With guest tickets in hand to the De Young Museum in San Francisco, Mary Chicos took Vaso Moulas (our Eos#1 President), Brenda Johnson (our Eos#1 Secretary), and Marion Parashis (on the Board) to see Penelope, our awesome and ever so beautiful statue and namesake on March 16th, 2011. With the help and chairmanship of Mary Chicos, Penelope was donated to the De Young Museum for the EOS #1 60th Anniversary over 20 years ago. We all felt the overpowering presence of this magnificent masterpiece and had to share it with you.

***Franklin Simmons (1839-1913)
Penelope, 1896 Marble***



Golfes Nominated Lioness of the Year

By P.J. Pishard

Our sisters in the Daughters of Penelope are always proud when someone in our midst is recognized for outstanding achievement. As a fellow member of this year's District Lodge, I am proud to brag about our own beloved Sylvia Golfes, District Advisor. Sylvia is a pillar in the professional community with a very responsible position handling 40 prominent Northern California power and communication utilities. Along with being a Past District Governor in the DOP, she is also a member of the Pleasant Hill Lions and the Pleasant Hill Lioness. At the District 4C3 Lioness convention held in May 2011, Sylvia was named Lioness of the Year for the District. Below is the beautiful plaque she received. Kudos to an outstanding member of Golden Gate District #21 Daughters of Penelope and Harmonia #367. Congratulations, Sister Sylvia. ♦



Fresno Chapter #151 News

By Chris Rockas. PSC

Things have been rather quiet the past few months. However, there is an uptick in events, including dinners, since the first of the year. The week of February 26, 2011, was taken up by "A Night in Venice" event featuring singing waiters and a wonderful Italian chicken dinner. Our local Daughters in partnership with the Fresno Opera Association and the Greek Community of Fresno, with some help by our Fresno Ahepa brothers, put together a most memorable production. It was so successful, that it may become an annual event.

On March 3, 2011 some of our Brothers and Sisters had the privilege of attending the Kremen School of Education and Human Development Awards Dinner at California State University-Fresno (aka Fresno State). Brother Kopi Soteropulos and his wife Elaine (a Fresno State graduate) were honored for their contributions to the educational progress and future of students in the Central San Joaquin Valley. Over 350 people were in attendance giving this exceptional couple the support they justly deserve for their efforts. They are

very active not only in the greater Fresno Community but also in our St. George Greek Orthodox Community of Fresno, California.

On February 26, 2011 Brother Chris Rockas (PSC) donated his two publications - "Vignettes of the Past" and his copyrighted "A Guide to a Happier Divorce" to Fresno County Law Librarian Sharon Borbon (see photo below) to become part of the Fresno County Law Library. These publications were also donated to the Law Library of the San Joaquin College of Law in Fresno, California.

Theodore Denny from Youngstown Ohio entered the 2010 Athens Marathon held on October 31, 2010, celebrating Phidipides run to Athens 2500 years ago announcing the defeat of the Persians at the Battle of Marathon. All those who sponsored him designated the Ahepa National Hellenic Project as the recipient (the project started by Fresno Ahepa #151) \$6,940.00 was collected in this event. Fresno Ahepa Chapter wishes to publicly thank Theodore Denny for the designation. Many thanks also to Brother James Denney, his father, who is president of the Youngstown, Ohio Ahepa Chapter and also on the advisory board of our Hellenic Project which is ongoing. ♦



DOP District Governor

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As we prepare for the District Convention in Pleasanton in June and the Supreme Convention in Florida in July, we are busy tying up loose ends with paperwork and registering our delegates. Each Chapter has reason to be proud. They have continued with their enthusiasm and exuberance in their activities and care of one another. We have enjoyed working with each Chapter and have made many new friends. Let us show our continued support for our organization and attend the well-planned, District Convention in Oakland.

As the year before, I enjoyed serving as your District Governor again this past year. There are not enough words to convey my gratitude, appreciation, and experiences I have been offered by having this

honor bestowed upon me. My warmest and loving "thank you" is extended to my District Lodge – they have been my inspiration and motivation during this time. Truly, they have been a joy to work with. I would be remiss if I did not mention District #21 Governor Nick Pries and his Lodge. Nick has been there every step of the way, and I thank him and his Lodge for all their help and support.

On behalf of the Daughters of Penelope Lodge - P.J. Rishard, Chrisanthi Panagopoulos, Helen Sexton, Kathy Leles, Sylvia Golfes, Tina Demetriou, and me, we wish all our Ahepa Family – Ahepa, Daughters, Maids & Sons -- a safe and pleasurable summer. See you in Pleasanton!!! ♦

Love,
In Theta Pi,
Margo Drosos, District Governor

Petros Priftis, President Argiris Giannikos, Vice President

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Councilmember Pete Constant Celebrated Greek Independence Day, Hosting the City of San José's Greek Flag Raising Ceremony

San José, CA—Councilmember Pete Constant hosted the 4th Annual Greek Flag Raising Ceremony at City Hall to commemorate Greek Independence Day on March 25, 2011. "I look forward to the event every year" stated Councilmember Pete Constant. "It's a way for me to celebrate my Greek heritage and to recognize the strong bond between the United States and Greece.

"Like many immigrant families here in San José, my father came here when he was 17 years-old from Greece hoping that he could achieve the much sought after American Dream" stated Constant. "I was raised to never forget my Hellenic heritage, and I, and my lovely wife Julie, strive to raise our children in a similar fashion."

Greek-American guests Marina Moustakas, founding President of the Hellenic Heritage Institute; Ted Laliotis, President of the United Hellenic American Societies; Nick Pries, District Governor of AHEPA; and Angelo Lygizos, retired U.S. Army WWII Veteran accepted proclamations honoring Greek Independence Day from President Barack Obama of the United States, Councilmember Pete Constant and Mayor Chuck Reed from the City of San José, Supervisor Dave Cortese from the County of Santa Clara, and Vice Mayor Pete McHugh from the City of Milpitas,

The event was well attended filling up the rotunda of San José City Hall and included a large contingent of parishioners of St. Nicholas Church among other members of the San José community. The program began with an invocation offered by Reverend Father Soterios Rousakis and Father Demosthense from Holy Trinity Cathedral of Portland, Oregon. The highlight of the event was a presentation of the Greek and American flags by the San José Police Department Honor Guard.

The ceremony concluded with a celebratory reception featuring Greek food specialties.

For more information about the 4th Annual Greek Flag Raising or upcoming District 1 events please call the District 1 Office at (408) 535-4901.

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June 24 - 26, 2011

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GOLF Package Under separate package.			
INDIVIDUAL EVENT PURCHASE	COST/PERSON	NUMBER	TOTAL COST
WELCOME NIGHT , Friday, June 24th	\$20		
SCHOLARSHIP AWARD LUNCHEON Saturday, June 25th	\$40		
GREEK NIGHT GLENDI , Saturday, June 25th Includes: Dinner & Dancing, Charitable Raffle Drawing	\$75 (individual) \$140 (couple)		
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FEB. 8 – BRIDGETOWN, BARBADOS, 9am/6pm
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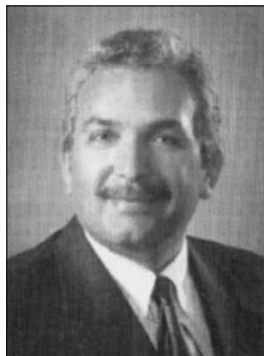
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